

600 miles of steamship lines, making 72,000 miles of transportation in all; that one could go from New York to Hongkong without ever leaving the Harriman lines and that he could return by another route on Harriman lines nearly all the way.

To show something of the man's great activities, the mere corporations of which he was the head or in which he was officially interested only give a hint. Although with more than a hint, he has been a member of the New York Stock Exchange since 1879. He was president of the Oregon Railroad and Navigation company, president of the Oregon Short Line, president of the Southern Pacific, president of the Texas & New Orleans Railroad company, president of the Southern Pacific Coast Lines, president of the Central Pacific Railroad company, president of the Louisiana & Western Railroad company, president of Morgan's Louisiana & Texas Railroad and Steamship company, president of the Pacific Mail Steamship company, president of the Bonded Securities company, president of the Southern Pacific Terminal company, president of the Portland & Astoria Steamship company, president of the Union Pacific, chairman of the executive committee of the Wells Fargo company, director of the Illinois Central Railroad company, director of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad company, director of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company, director of the Western Union Telegraph company, director of the National City Bank of New York, director of the Chicago & Alton Railroad company, director of the Peter Marquette Railroad company, director of the San Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake Railroad company, director of the Southern Pacific Railroad company, director of the New York Central Railroad company and many more, to say nothing of the Equitable Assurance society, of which he was once a director, but from which he resigned during the Hughes investigation.

CONTROLLED WHATEVER HE TOUCHED.

After reading all that last one can wonder not only that he died so soon, but that he lived so long, for it is understood that Edward H. Harriman was no mere peripatetic director. Whatever he touched he controlled—either that or something broke. He was not a dummy. Nor could he have controlled all these properties, only a fraction of which he could have owned personally, unless his business acumen was far above the common confidence in his integrity and ability. It was his power of organization, of construction, his intimate knowledge of the whole country as it related to railroading, his daring methods and his success that won him their allegiance. He became far and away the greatest railroad power of his day and perhaps of any day that the country has, yet known. There may be railroad kings in future that will control more mileage, but none up to his own time.

His latest dream of making the New York Central the most important electric system was coming to fruition only when death snatched him away from it. Even as it was, the greatest of our railroads was listed as a Harriman property, and its stocks moved in sympathy with his group. To continue his old rail system with his Pacific roads into one gigantic whole was the work of a financial titan. It was not a task for a small man would even have dared to propose.

Another cherished dream of a more intimate nature was on the eve of accomplishment, but was never to be realized. For more than a score of years Mr. Harriman had owned an estate of 35,000 acres near Arden overlooking Tuxedo Park. Here, on the top of one of the Hamptons' mountains, he was finishing a great castle that was to have been his home in old age. Here he went to the "after life" when he returned from his vain health seeking in Europe, and here, amid the sound of hammers as workmen completed the last wing of the house, he breathed his last. It was a fitting music to toll out the life of one whose chief claim to men's regard is that he was a builder.

STEEPLE JACK AT WORK.

Curious Crowd Watches Man at Work On Top of Pole.

The attraction held in a dangerous fest, even though it is witnessed with the shudder of fear, caused hundreds of pedestrians passing police headquarters to stop and crane their necks until they were looking straight up to the air to where "Steeplejack" Church swung carelessly and went on with his work of gilding the ball at the top of the 85 foot flag mast.

Chief Barlow decided that it was time for the ugly weather statistics must be put to rest. And so, while Steeplejack Church came along at the right time. All day yesterday and today he slid up and down the slender topped pole which swayed under his weight, bodily went on with his hazardous work, while the weaker and nervous watchers looked at him at times with far more fear than he felt. Today the work of painting the pole will be completed, but for many a day to come there will be people who will point it out and tell how they saw a man clinging to the top of it.

J. H. or "Steeplejack" Church makes such risky work his sole business, and thinks nothing of being "up in the air" with nothing but the ground a hundred or more feet below him. Before taking up such a work Church followed the sea for years, and the "curious" feels more at home on top of a swaying pole than on the ground.

Louis Fugel filed suit yesterday in the third district court to recover \$425 damages from J. Oberndorfer & Co. and Joseph Oberndorfer, now dead, as

BINGHAM COUNTY DRY

Blackfoot, Id., Sept. 8.—Bingham county has gone "dry" three to one, with a majority of 2,500. The vote in Blackfoot was 480 against the saloon and 320 for a "wet" license. Their Idaho Falls stands 667 "dry" against 220 "wets."

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

One of the most elaborate affairs of the month was the wedding of Miss Mae Hatch and John Augustus Lloyd, which took place Wednesday evening at the Presbyterian church, Rev. William Paden performing the ceremony in the presence of about 300 guests. Several musical selections were rendered, including the organ piece by Miss Maud Thorne, organist; George Skotkin, violin and A. Press, cello. The Lohengrin wedding march was played as the bridal party entered the church. First came the ushers, Frank Moore and Harry Colding, followed by Miss Edna Wood of Raleigh, N. C., as maid of honor, followed by Mrs. Oliver Hatch, the maid of honor, and next Mrs. W. H. Child, sister of the bride, as matron of honor, followed by the bride and her father, Judge Hatch. They were met at the star by the bridegroom, Mr. Lloyd and his best man, John Clark. As the bridal party left the church Mendelssohn's wedding march was played. After the ceremony a reception was given to relatives and most intimate friends of the bride and groom.

WHY EXAMINATION BY SURVEY DESIRABLE.

Washington, Sept. 8.—"It is a delicate matter," said Mr. Perkins, "to decide the claims in such an important case, but our men are scientists and would be impartial, not to say cold-blooded, in such an investigation as it would be necessary for them to make in arriving at the comparative merits of the claims of the two men. Moreover, I believe," he continued, "that any conclusion arrived at by the survey would be accepted as controlling."

The two Eskimos who accompanied Cook have been made a vital factor in the controversy and a source of the issues involved. Dr. Cook has announced that he will equip an expedition to Greenland at his own expense.

ANOTHER MEETING OF LAST EVENING.

Washington, Sept. 8.—It was that was that of Miss Mae Hatch and J. O. Pitt, Royal H. Young, officiating at the home of the bride's parents in Street. After the ceremony the bride and groom left for Seattle and the Pacific northwest for three weeks, and will be at home at Tremonton, Utah, after Oct. 1.

Mr. William McCaskell entertained at a delightful luncheon at the Country club Wednesday afternoon in honor of Mrs. J. O. Salisbury. Covers were laid for 28.

Mrs. W. P. Lynn gave a bridge party Wednesday evening for her guest, Miss Madeline Murtha of New York, Mrs. Martha Huyle King and Mrs. M. Allison as the hostess in entertaining. About 50 guests were present.

The date set for the meeting of the State Federation of Women's Federations Oct. 7, 8, 9, and Salt Lake will be chosen. The federation has been most kindly entertained by our city and the members of the local clubs are exerting themselves to the utmost to make the coming meeting a great success. Mrs. Byron Cummings, who is the chairman of the federation will be in session in Salt Lake for the accommodation of the veterans who reside in other states or isolated places in this state, and those who will have to go elsewhere for witnesses.

JOHN P. MEAKIN THE GUEST.

Bishopric of the Fourteenth Ward Invites Him to Celebration.

The fortieth anniversary of the arrival in this city of John P. Meakin, a man who has done much to make the world brighter and to correct erroneous ideas concerning Utah and her people, is to be fittingly celebrated at the Fourteenth ward meetinghouse on Friday evening, Sept. 17.

Among his many friends, Bishop Elias S. Woodruff, George Q. Morris, Thomas E. Taylor, W. S. Burton, Quayle Cannon and others of the Fourteenth ward, have planned to celebrate the event referred to in a letter, addressed to Mr. Meakin, they inform him, before the meeting of his old and new friends."

Mrs. Bert Seabolt is entertaining Mrs. C. Gillette Weems of Chicago.

Mrs. W. H. Beers and Mrs. Elizabeth H. Coray have returned from a two weeks' trip through the Yellowstone.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Dimmick enjoyed a very enjoyable evening party Wednesday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Torrens who leave for their home in Chicago on Tuesday next. An informal musical followed and among those taking part were Mrs. L. A. Torrens, Miss Gertrude Kastholm, Miss Margaret Whitney, Prof. George Careless, George D. Pyper, Dr. George Andrews and Mrs. H. M. Dimmick. Mrs. Dimmick was assisted by the Misses Margaret Whinney, Rehan Spencer and Margaret Anrews.

MORE HOMESTEAD LANDS.

In addition to the large area of dry farm lands previously designated for entry in Boxelder county under the enlarged homestead act of Feb. 19, 1909, the department of the interior, through Assistant Commissioner of Homesteads, has notified the local land office today that the following additional lands are open for entry in Boxelder county:

Lots 1 and 7 of section 4, township 8 N. range 6 west. Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and the S. 1/2 of N. E. 4 and S. 1/2 of N. W. 4 of section 4, township 8 N. range 6 west. Also the S. E. 1/4 and the S. W. 1/4 of section 4. The N. 1/2 of section 16, same township, and lots 1, 2, 3, 4 in section 28, township 8 N. range 6 west, and the W. 1/4 of N. E. 4 of the same section.

TEMPERATURE DROPPING.

Weather Office Records Show Gradual Decrease in Averages.

The average temperature is beginning to lower with the advancing season, yesterday's maximum reaching only 53 degrees. Rains are of daily occurrence over the northern sections of the state, locally, more in the eastern. At the same time the air is pleasant in the mountainous areas from the occasional precipitations.

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Mr. Perkins expressed confidence that the experts of the survey would be able to detect any false notations in the reports. He said the survey had been called frequently to review reports of expeditions, and on more than one occasion he detected the fact that they were "doctored."

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Mr. Peary has accepted the invitation and no doubt those fortunate enough to be present will have a most enjoyable time. Mr. Meakin is to leave Salt Lake soon for a business trip to the east.

THE PEOPLE LIKE THE NEW SYSTEM.

The latest system used by the L. X. L. Stores Company, Where You Buy The Goods at Your Own Price.

A very unique system of selling household goods has been introduced by Hart & Meyers, the consolidated auctioneers imported by the L. X. L. Co. from Chicago. The system is a novelty in merchandising and Salt Lake City is the first place in the west where this plan has been introduced in connection with the selling of home furniture. The plan is this: The company has a stock of \$25,000 which they have contracted to dispose of in fifteen days. Hart & Meyers have agreed to dispose of this stock in a given time. The store is arranged accordingly with seats reserved for the prospective buyers. If one wishes to purchase a range, bedroom set, parlor suite or anything needed in the home the articles are arranged on the platform in the center of the store. The articles are auctioned and the customer bidding the goods go to the highest bidder.

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COOK'S FRIENDS PREPARED.

And with the arrival of Commander Peary in New York, Dr. Cook's friends here propose to defend him vigorously. The members of the Arctic club are divided in their support and it is no friendly division. President Osborn declares that when Peary lands he will nominate three officials of which Peary is accused of taking Cook's supplies, with forcing open Cook's trunk and inspecting his private notes and memos and, with opening and reading a personal letter from Dr. Cook to his wife. Mr. Osborn says that he has a further affidavit that Commander Peary addressed a letter to Mrs. Cook, threatening his new husband with being taken.

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RUSH OF PUBLISHERS.

There is a mad rush among publishers from all over the world to obtain the rights to the books which the rival explorers will or have prepared. The offer is almost \$100,000 for each book and an additional \$100,000 for the rights to the newspaper publications an advertisement calling for bids from publishers for Dr. Cook's book. The advertisement states that already 100,000 words have been written, and that there are ample photographs to illustrate it. The reason for this is the public with the full details of the trip and the results of the same.

During the month \$10,000 acres were taken up by 43 persons under the original homestead laws, and 25,723 acres were filed upon under the enlarged homestead act of Feb. 19, 1909, community spoken of as the "Snoot act." There were in all 51 entries during the month under the Snoot act.

CANCELLING MACHINES.

Two new cancelling machines were being tried at the postoffice this morning, which are said to be the latest and most rapid machines on the market. One is a new May-Dolphin machine manufactured by the International Postal Supply company, and the other is manufactured by the American Postal Machines company. Both of them are 1909 models. The speed built in each is about 4,000 letters per hour, as against about 3,000 per hour by hand.

Sweetly thinks.

Startup Candy Co., Provo, Utah, "THE CANDY CITY."

The Central Coal & Coke company have made no change in the price of Rock Springs coal, and are still selling it at \$5.74 per ton.

BATTLE FOR NORTH POLE

(Continued from page one.)

ENSEN to the merits of the pole controversy.

PEARY SUSPECTED COOK.

It now develops that Commander

Perry suspected Dr. Cook a year and

a half ago. In May, 1908, before he

sailed from New York for the north

pole, Mr. Perry left a sealed letter in

his cabin which he hoped would be

opened when he reached the north.

After quoting a number of newspaper

articles relative to the departure of Dr.

Cook for the north pole, Commander

Perry concludes:

"In order that there may be no mis-

understanding as to my position in the

matter, I wish to say that I regard

Dr. Cook's action in going north 'sub

rosa' while ostensibly engaged in ef-

forts to promote antarctic work for

the scientific purpose forced me, as

one of which was to be an

adventure, to be at Battle Harbor,

Laborador.

The weather is fine here.

Montreal, Sept. 8.—The marine sign

als today received a wireless message by way of Cape Ray saying